<u>PATENT</u>



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.:

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Applicant:

Schneider

Group Art Unit:

1774

Examiner:

Merrick Dixon

Title:

POLYMER COMPOSITE STRUCTURE REINFORCED

WITH SHAPE MEMORY ALLOY AND METHOD OF

MANUFACTURING SAME

Attorney Docket:

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

Pursuant to the Final Office Action mailed August 21, 2006, please amend the application as follows. A Request For Continuing Examination and a request for a one month extension of time to respond to the Final Office Action, together with the required fee for each, is also being submitted herewith.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.